

# Rules and Ancillary Document Review Checklist (This form must be filled out electronically.)

All responses should be in **bold** format.

Document Reviewed (include title):

- WAC 175-08-010 "Uniform procedural rules."
- WAC 175-08-990 "Appendix A—Relating to chapter 117, Laws of 1972 1st ex. sess. as codified in chapter 43.31A RCW."

Date last adopted: 11/30/73

Reviewer: Mark Mullin

Date review completed: April 16, 2001

Is this document being reviewed at this time because of a taxpayer or business association request? (If "YES", provide the name of the taxpayer/business association and a brief explanation of the issues raised in the request). **YES** NO

Type an "x" in the column that most correctly answers the question, and provide clear, concise, and complete explanations where needed.

## 1. Explain the goal(s) and purpose(s) of the document:

The goal and purpose of WAC 175-08-010 is to establish uniform procedural rules of practice for the Economic Assistance Authority which was established under the Economic Assistance Act of 1972 (chapter 117, Laws of 1972, 1st ex. sess.).

The goal and purpose of WAC 175-08-990 is to inform the public about where to obtain a copy of the Economic Assistance Act of 1972 from the Economic Assistance Authority.

## 2. Need:

YES	NO	
	X	Is the document necessary to comply with the statutes that authorize it? (E.g.,
		Is it necessary to comply with or clarify the application of the statutes that are
		being implemented? Does it provide detailed information not found in the
		statutes?)
X		Is the document obsolete to a degree that the information it provides is of so
		little value that the document warrants repeal or revision?
X		Have the laws changed so that the document should be revised or repealed?
		(If the response is "yes" that the document should be repealed, explain and
		identify the statutes the rule implemented, and skip to Section 10.)
	X	Is the document necessary to protect or safeguard the health, welfare (budget
		levels necessary to provide services to the citizens of the state of
		Washington), or safety of Washington's citizens? (If the response is "no", the



recommendation must be to repeal the document.)

Please explain.

WAC 175-08-010 and 175-08-990 were promulgated as part of the implementation of the Economic Assistance Act of 1972 (Act), codified in chapter 43.31A RCW. The Act created an Economic Assistance Authority (Authority) whose purpose was to foster development through the stimulation of investment and job opportunity. The Act provided sales and use tax deferrals for eligible investment projects approved by the Authority, and loans or grants to political subdivisions of the state and federally recognized Indian tribes for the construction of public facilities. The Authority was abolished, and any remaining duties of the Authority were transferred to the Department of Revenue, effective June 30, 1982, by chapter 76, Laws of 1981.

WAC 175-08-010 governs procedural rules of practice before the Authority. WAC 175-08-990 is an appendix that provides an address for the Authority where the public can obtain a copy of the Act. Because the Authority was abolished nearly 19 years ago, WAC 175-08-010 and 175-08-990 are no longer needed.

**3.** Related ancillary documents, court decisions, BTA decisions, and WTDs: Complete Subsection (a) only if reviewing a rule. Subsection (b) should be completed only if the subject of the review is an ancillary document. Excise Tax Advisories (ETAs), Property Tax Bulletins (PTBs) and Audit Directives (ADs) are considered ancillary documents.

(a)

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YES	NO	
		Are there any ancillary documents that should be incorporated into this rule?
		(An Ancillary Document Review Supplement should be completed for each
		and submitted with this completed form.)
		Are there any ancillary documents that should be repealed because the
		information is currently included in this or another rule, or the information is
		incorrect or not needed? (An Ancillary Document Review Supplement should
		be completed for each and submitted with this completed form.)
		Are there any Board of Tax Appeal (BTA) decisions, court decisions, or
		Attorney Generals Opinions (AGOs) that provide information that should be
		incorporated into this rule?
		Are there any administrative decisions (e.g., Appeals Division decisions
		(WTDs)) that provide information that should be incorporated into the rule?

**(b)** 

YES	NO	
		Should this ancillary document be incorporated into a rule?
		Are there any Board of Tax Appeal (BTA) decisions, court decisions, or Attorney Generals Opinions (AGOs) that affects the information now provided in this document?



	Are there any administrative decisions (e.g., Appeals Division decisions
	(WTDs)) that provide information that should be incorporated into the
	document?

If the answer is "yes" to any of the questions in (a) or (b) above, identify the pertinent document(s) and provide a <u>brief</u> summary of the information that should be incorporated into the document.

# 4. Clarity and Effectiveness:

YES	NO	
		Is the document written and organized in a clear and concise manner?
		Are citations to other rules, laws, or other authority accurate? (If no, identify
		the incorrect citation below and provide the correct citation.)
		Is the document providing the result(s) that it was originally designed to
		achieve? (E.g., does it reduce the need for taxpayers to search multiple rules
		or statutes to determine their tax-reporting responsibilities, help ensure that the
		tax law and/or exemptions are consistently applied?)
		Do changes in industry practices warrant repealing or revising this document?
		Do any administrative changes within the Department warrant repealing or
		revising this document?

Please explain.

#### 5. Intent and Statutory Authority:

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YES	NO	
		Does the Department have sufficient authority to adopt this document? (Cite
		the statutory authority in the explanation below.)
		Is the document consistent with the legislative intent of the statutes that
		authorize it? (I.e., is the information provided in the document consistent with
		the statute(s) that it was designed <b>to implement</b> ?) If "no", identify the
		specific statute and explain below. List all statutes being implemented in
		Section 9, below.)
		Is there a need to recommend legislative changes to the statutes being
		implemented by this document?

Please explain.

**6. Coordination:** Agencies should consult with and coordinate with other governmental entities that have similar regulatory requirements when it is likely that coordination can reduce duplication and inconsistency.

YES	NO	
		Could consultation and coordination with other governmental entities and/or



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	state agencies eliminate or reduce duplication and inconsistency?

Please explain.



**7.** Cost: When responding, consider only the costs imposed by the document being reviewed and not by the statute.

YES	NO	
		Have the qualitative and quantitative benefits of the document been considered
		in relation to its costs? (Answer "yes" only if a Cost Benefit Analysis was
		completed when the rule was last adopted or revised.)

Please explain.

**8. Fairness:** When responding, consider only the impacts imposed by the document being reviewed and not by the statute.

YES	NO	
		Does the document result in equitable treatment of those required to comply
		with it?
		Should it be modified to eliminate or minimize any disproportionate impacts on
		the regulated community?
		Should the document be strengthened to provide additional protection to
		correct any disproportionate impact on any particular segment of the regulated
		community?

Please explain.

**9. LISTING OF DOCUMENTS REVIEWED:** (Use "bullets" with any lists, and include documents discussed above. Citations to statutes, ancillary documents, and similar documents should include titles. Citations to Attorneys General Opinions (AGOs) and court, Board of Tax Appeals (BTA), and Appeals Division (WTD) decisions should be followed by a brief description (i.e., a phrase or sentence) of the pertinent issue(s).)

Statute(s) Implemented:

Ancillary Documents (i.e., ETAs, PTBs, and ADs):

Court Decisions:

Board of Tax Appeals Decisions (BTAs):

Administrative Decisions (e.g., WTDs):

Attorney General's Opinions (AGOs):

Other Documents (e.g., special notices or Tax Topic articles, statutes or regulations administered by other agencies or government entities, statutes, rules, or other documents that were reviewed but were not specifically relevant to the subject matter of the document being reviewed):



10. Review Recommendation:
Amend
X_Repeal
Leave as is
Begin the rule-making process for possible revision. (Applies only when the Department has received a petition to revise a rule.)
Incorporate ancillary document into a new or existing rule. (Subject of this review must an ancillary document and not a rule.)
<b>Explanation of recommendation:</b> (If recommending an amendment of an existing rule, provide only a brief summary of the changes you've identified/recommended earlier in this review document.)
The agency that adopted WAC 175-08-010 and 175-08-990 was abolished effective June 30, 1982. Although the Department of Revenue assumed any remaining duties of the agency after it was abolished, no grants, loans or investment tax deferral certificates could be issued after June 30, 1982. Consequently, WAC 175-08-010 and 175-08-990 are obsolete and unnecessary.
11. Manager action: Date:
Reviewed recommendation Accepted recommendation
Returned for further action
Comments: